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The Philippine Question.

The Register splits the difference between "expansion" and "imperialism," and tacitly endorses "expansion," though it isn't exactly clear in its mind what expansion is. This is getting pretty near to an unconscious endorsement of the President's policy. There has been no so-called imperialist policy announced, nor is it in contemplation. The whole thing is a man of straw. The entire Philippine problem is still open. No action has been taken, but it all remains for the future to deal with it. Much of the talk about annexation is set up without basis save a presumption that is entirely without official authority. Mr. Bryan is proceeding on this line in the speeches he is making and he has no warrant for it.

In the face of all the expressions uttered by President McKinley and senators and members of Congress who are in accord with him, looking to a conservative and humane policy with reference to the settlement of the Philippine problem and the provision of a government, the false premise that there is to be forcible annexation and the retention of the Philippines in serfdom is being harped upon. Time will show how far wrong these men are in their theory. It will show that they are setting up a bugaboo which had no previous existence.

As long ago as November 1, before the treaty of peace was completed, Senator Hoar set up this straw man at Worcester, Mass., and every development since has shown how far wrong he was in his assumptions as to the intentions of those responsible for the treaty. But Senator Hoar, who is sincere and honest, said something else in that speech which presented, with emphatic force, though not quite in harmony with some other utterances in the same address, the situation as it is to-day, and which may yet, in some respects prove to be something like the course which will be followed out. It is in part, not all, in line with the utterances of President McKinley in his speeches delivered on his late southern tour.

In the closing paragraph of his Worcester speech is a sentiment which the radical critics of "imperialism," which is not in existence save in some people's imagination, Senator Hoar remarked: "We will not give these people back to Spain. Indeed, she could not reconquer them if we let her alone. We will set them on their feet; we will support them in the exercise of self-government. If in the future it shall become necessary, we will call other civilized and Christian nations into our counsel and invite their co-operation. But, we will not annex them to our Union; we will not treat them as booty, and we will not govern them as serfs."

Nobody has ever proposed to govern them as serfs nor as booty. The President has advocated a free government for them. Our wise men all realize the seriousness of the question, and the wisdom of Congress and the President may be safely entrusted to provide a proper government, pending the final and absolute settlement of their future status. Forcible annexation has never once been suggested. But no one, neither Senator Hoar, nor any one else, even the great Nebraska statesman, the "second Moses" that failed to lead the Democracy out of the wilderness, and is now setting up other issues as fallacious as the free silver craze, can figure out that we are not under obligations to provide a future for the Philippines, and that in all the territory taken in the war we must, through military rule, maintain peace and order until free, humane, peaceful, civilized governments are established. Annexation is a question of the future.

No emergency that ever faced this country has found it wanting in capacity to solve the questions involved. Nor will the present issue be an exception. Senator Hoar was right, and so is every citizen right in the principle that we cannot give these islands back to Spain. Therefore, we must meet the question. It will be solved wisely, discreetly and without dishonor or violence to the principles upon which are founded the institutions of the republic.

One Way to Prosper

A striking illustration of the fact that trade follows newspaper advertising is noted by the New York Press. In that city, of ten large retail firms that have failed since Christmas, not one was a newspaper advertiser. The merchants who have used the newspapers never were more completely satisfied with the results of the unprecedented holiday trade. What is true of New York is true of all other cities, the smallest as well as the greatest.

Wheeling merchants who do extensive advertising give the same testi-

mony. The entire public is aware that the merchants who do the greatest amount of newspaper advertising are the ones who are enjoying the best business. They are practical business men, and if they did not know from experience that the liberal use they make of the advertising columns of the daily press pays they would not engage in it. It is easy to demonstrate this fact for one's self.

The great merchants in the metropolitan cities who lay out large sums for advertising declare that next to careful business management the use of newspaper columns is the chief factor in the up-building of their trade. John Wanamaker, whose great store in Philadelphia and its several branches in other cities are known throughout the country, is a firm believer in large expenditures for newspaper advertising. He has often declared that he owed quite as much to printer's ink in building up his enormous business as he owed to any other important feature of its management. In the smaller cities and towns also the merchants who advertise are the most prosperous.

A Shirt as a Political Factor.

Those who are looking for a political issue which is novel enough to arouse public interest and furnish a relief from financial, silver and other discussions which disturb business will appreciate an unique question which has been introduced into the municipal campaign in Reading, Pa. The article on which the vital question is based didn't cost much, but some folks think it may go so far as to defeat Mr. Adam Leader, the Republican candidate for mayor.

This important article which has stirred up the town is an ordinary 49-cent shirt which, during one of the recent windstorms which have been blowing in a gripe germs about over the country, was carried from Mr. Leader's back yard over into the yard in the rear of a neighbor's mansion.

According to the dispatches chronicling the affair, when the wind blew Mr. Leader's 49-cent shirt from his washline over the fence into the yard of Mrs. Elizabeth Schroeder, a summary and perfectly proper demand was made upon the neighbor for the return of the valued article of apparel. Whether Mr. Leader wanted that particular shirt to wear on his inauguration day, after his election as mayor, or not is not stated, but certainly he must have had a kindly regard for it, not altogether based on its assessed valuation, for, when Mrs. Elizabeth Schroeder, who, it appears, is a Democrat and not in sympathy with Mr. Leader's mayoralty canvass, denied that she had the 49-cent shirt, Mr. Leader swore out a warrant for her arrest, charging her with larceny.

The court dismissed Mrs. Schroeder, but she didn't let the matter drop. She brought suit against the candidate for mayor for \$5,000 damages for false arrest. The point is that Mr. Leader's friends claim that the suit is brought for political effect, in the hope of defeating him for mayor, as the public will naturally sympathize with the woman in the case.

Just how much it will cost Mr. Leader in the end to have a wind come along while the family washing was being conducted and interrupt the ceremony by carrying off a 49-cent shirt remains to be seen. There was the shirt itself, 49 cents; the damages to Mrs. Schroeder, added, will make it \$5,000.49; attorneys' fees, estimated at perhaps \$100; the costs of the case, estimated at \$200; and in all probability the wreck of Mr. Leader's mayoralty ambitions, including the salary, the annual amount of which we do not know.

It is a very remarkable case and serves to demonstrate the amount of damage to a man's political future and ambition a winter wind, a 49-cent undergarment, and an indignant woman may do. It is the most remarkable campaign which this new year of 1899 has furnished us, and introduces a new factor into Keystone politics.

No Cause for Criticism.

It seems that all the dissatisfaction at Santiago, about which so much has been said in the papers, concerning a customs order, was due to a misunderstanding of the war department's order "concentrating all customs money in Havana." The Santiaguans got it into their heads that all money collected from customs duties was to be sent to Havana, which would cut off funds in Santiago province which were to be expended for the betterment of conditions, public improvements, etc. Hence the troubles.

The order simply means that weekly reports of collections are to be sent to Havana. Collections at all ports are to be used for the improvement of the conditions of the Cubans. This correction of a false impression will not only appease the Cuban dissatisfaction caused by the misapprehension, but will put a quietus on some of the captious critics in this country who spring at every opportunity to find fault with the administration.

If Quay doesn't get there some other Republican will, so the party in the remainder of the country need not worry over the factional fight in Pennsylvania. The state has no intention of deserting the Republican party. Even a family quarrel will not bring that about, with a legislature so overwhelmingly on the side of sound money, protection and the sentiments of the national administration. The contest is not without its interesting features, however.

The peace treaty is now given to the public and the people may judge its terms themselves. The document is not lengthy, but covers all the points and is sufficient to gratify the public desire to read the terms signed by the two commissions. The details of the negotiations and terms will doubtless be covered in a separate document. What is published this morning will be read with interest.

Charleston is now the Mecca of West Virginia politicians of all parties. We trust sincerely that fairness and fraternalism among citizens may not be subservient to party bitterness. Let us not forget.

Pensions for Ex-Confederates.

New York Post: We think we may safely reassure our friends of the Grand Army of the Republic—or, rather such of them as are excited over the prospect of pensioning the Confederate

veterans. They may wrap their patriotic apprehensions in a napkin and turn an untroubled eye upon the future. There is no conspiracy to swell the pension list, which is already copulent enough, and nobody, at least at the south, has serious designs upon that honorable dividend. We doubt, indeed, whether the Confederate veterans themselves are moving, or so much as preparing to move in the direction of the public treasury. They quite understand that the cause they fought for is dead, and there is few, if any, who would seek to revive it by a futile and unworthy effort to speculate upon its grave.

For our part, we have not yet been able to follow the fantastic reasoning which has projected Mr. McKinley's noble and high-minded utterance into the realm of pension-snatching. The President gave way to a graceful and manly impulse in suggesting that the tombs of the Confederate dead might well be considered as objects of the reunited nation's care. No doubt he was partly moved to this fine utterance by the knowledge that in many parts of the south—in New Orleans, for example—the Union and Confederate graves are decorated on the same day, with equal reverence and by sympathetic hands. Certainly he was moved to it by his own generous and kindly heart, and by his grateful recognition of the patriotic demonstrations of the past six months. But neither Mr. McKinley nor any of the Confederate survivors who honor and admire him ever dreamed of proposing to pension the malcontent veterans of the southern cause. The latter have not multiplied greatly since 1865, and the few that still remain have no designs upon the country's alms.

We can state with confidence that all alarm on this score is without foundation. The south is taking care of its own dependents, doing honor to its convictions and its heroes. The south has been touched by the President's noble overture, but does not wish to trade upon it, and has subjected it to no serious interpretation. The south willingly contributes its share to the fund from which the Union veterans are secured in their old age and their honorable helplessness. But the south takes care of its own, and with this pride and gladness.

STATE PRESS GLEANINGS.

The firm of Walton & Luck has secured a contract for building the first five miles of the railroad up Dry Fork. They will begin work the 1st of January and the road will be built in sections of five miles each, starting at Inger, which is located at the mouth of Dry Fork.—McDowell Recorder.

It is shocking news which comes to us from Lindsay, this county, of the death last night, December 21, of Mr. Henry W. Smith, from wood alcohol poisoning. Mr. Smith had been drinking for several days, consuming quantities of Jamaica ginger. He was taken very ill yesterday, and after suffering terribly died at 10:15 o'clock last night. Mr. Smith was forty-five years of age and had been in the mercantile business at Lindsay. He was a kindly man, and esteemed by his neighbors. His death is another startling warning of the danger of using as beverages the extracts and essences which have wood alcohol for a basis. Mr. Smith leaves a wife and seven children, with whom their friends profoundly sympathize.—Monroe Watchman.

Ex-United States Senator Johnson N. Camden says he is not a candidate for the United States senatorship, and does not believe the Democrats have the legislature on joint ballot, at any rate, and concedes it to the Republicans by one majority. When an honest Democrat like the ex-senator is found he ought to have a monument of brass placed in some conspicuous place in the state capital as a memorial and a lesson to all future generations.—Grafton Sentinel.

If the Wheeling Register takes all the mud it slings from the bottom of the bed of the Ohio river, the channel at that point is certainly deep enough to float the greatest warship in the world; and even deep enough for the temperature of the water to be naturally raised by the heat from the locomotives. In fact, we think that some of the political writers on this point must be in close touch with the region, else they could not devise such abuse and vituperation as defiles the pages of that sheet.—Tyler Gazette.

Leaders of West Virginia miners' organizations say that West Virginia miners are always the losers when drawn into strikes antagonisms, and that hereafter they will keep clear of such things. If the great strike that is talked of should be made it is to be hoped our people will not join in it, as it can only result in loss.—Morgantown News Dominion.

Times out West.

Hammers singin' on the drills,
Smoke a blazin' on the drills,
Stamp a fallin' chock-a-chuck
Poundin' up the precious rock,
Miners singin' glad refrains,
Reels a stabbin' at the veins,
Dynamite a poppin' round
In the chambers underground,
Cattle feedin' on the plains,
Hoses fessin' hussy names,
Miners gazin' in the white
Banks a gleamin' in the light
On the mountains, 'cause they know
Good crops follow a bang o' snow,
Or a thunder a bang o' rain,
Miners bring their yaller pile
In to Uncle Sam, to git
Ducats in exchange for it,
Whimsey wearin' smiles o' joy
Genuine, not forced, my boy,
Girls a wearin' cheeks that take
From the rose the blushin' cake,
Baby cry a rouser, made
Up of kids of every grade,
Yankee white an' Injun red,
Everyone a horribled,
Candy a bustlin' in the air,
Seem forever on the go
Chasin' of the dollars we
All grab at voraciously,
Reck a hustlin' in the air,
Settin' with a royal flush
In her ever-winnin' hand,
Full o' pride to beat the hand,
Reck a hustlin' in the air,
Happiness most everywhere—
That's the way in which we line
Up out here fur '99. —Denver Post.

How to Prevent Pneumonia.

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While there's breath there's hope of life.
Women shouldn't cry; it's more picturesque to sob.
Tailors make wedding suits and lawyers make divorce suits.
One short year of married life turns auburn tresses carmine.
The man who praises the baby always wins the mother's smile.
Wisdom consists in knowing what you should learn in order to be wise.
It often happens that the man who is his own boss sees but few pay days.
The man who is most discreet when sober is the biggest fool when otherwise.
The spots on a man's reputation look about ten times larger to others than to himself.
William Hall was recently married in Cincinnati. Happy man! no woman can drive a nail.
Practical Christianity is the kind a man has when he doesn't allow it to interfere with his business.
The diamond is the hardest substance known—excepting the heart of the pawnbroker who refuses to advance more than ten per cent of its value.—Chicago Daily News.

PASSING PLEASANTRIES.

She—What is "kiss" in French? He—I can't tell, but I can show you.—Yonkers Statesman.
"Named your boy after yourself, Mr. Barrows?" "No, Mrs. Thompson, we have named him James, after a prolonged family row."—Tit-Bits.
An Inquiring Youth—"It vos Moses dot led der Israelites to der land of broomise, my son?" "Vich Moses, popper?"—Cleveland Leader.
"I see that a New Jersey man who sold his wife for five dollars has been arrested." "For obtaining money under false pretences, eh?"—Life.
Dentist—"I see that I shall have to kill the nerve." Patient—"For heaven's sake, don't. It would ruin my business. I'm a life insurance agent."—Tit-Bits.
"Did you fall?" asked the officious one of the man who had slipped on the ice. "Fall!" roared the man, witheringly; "no! I merely sat down to think over this expansion question."—Philadelphia North American.
"I suppose you are still clamoring for independence," said Aguilander's friend. "Well," was the answer "that is what I started in to clamor for. But I can't be satisfied with independence now. I want to be haughty."—Washington Star.
"What appears to be the matter with your father?" inquired the doctor, as he hastily put his clothes on. "He's got the plumbago," replied the boy. "I think that's what may say it is." "Pain in the small of the back, I presume?" "No, sir; he hasn't got no small of the back. My paw weighs 254 pounds."—Chicago Record.

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